

REMARKS

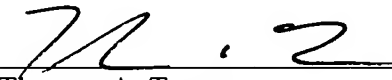
Following entry of the above amendment, claims 1-40 are pending in this application. Claims 41-91 are canceled without prejudice and without any intention to abandon the subject matter claimed therein. Indeed, Applicants may pursue claims of equal, broader or lesser scope in a continuing application.

Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are allowable in this application. If the Examiner believes that a conversation with Applicants' attorney would be helpful in expediting prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the telephone number below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: May 14, 2004
Reg. No. 35,722

Tel. No.: (617) 248-7738
Fax No.: (617) 248-7100



Thomas A. Turano
Attorney for Applicants
TESTA, HURWITZ & THIBEAULT, LLP
125 High Street
Boston, MA 02110